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**David Schuster** has been working with library technology for more than 20 years. He started in the industry working for a public library using the Dynix Software. He eventually went to work for Dynix supporting clients in schools using Dynix Scholar. He moved to a school district using Dynix Scholar and after five years migrated to another proprietary software package. As the district became cost conscious he started evaluating open source software options and decided there was an option that was a fit. He brought this medium-sized school district up on Koha from a proprietary software system using a support company for the migration. He worked with that company to do minor developments and introduced those changes back to the community. This migration was no different than with other integrated library system transitions. The school system was able to recoup the cost in three years based on the projections for hardware and software expenses they historically paid. After those three years it made sense to stay with a software support company for their needs as the cost was well below traditional support costs. David then spearheaded the implementation of an institutional repository at a mid-size state university. The university did not have a scholarly repository and the ContentDM system was not an option. Through the evaluation process it was decided to use Dspace open source
software for this organization. A pilot was started using a virtual machine provided by the Technology department. With the Dspace community, documentation, and previous knowledge of how open source software communities and systems worked, this system ran for more than two years without support or cash expenses. As the pilot was deemed successful the university is exploring the long-term viability and options available to sustain the system.

Lee Sochay currently serves as the Head of Acquisitions for the Michigan State University Libraries. In 2013, Lee joined the MSU Libraries to work on the procurement and implementation of a discovery tool. The procurement process was completed in January of 2014 with the selection of the Summon discovery tool. The implementation process was completed on August 4, 2014 with the successful launch of SearchPlus, the MSU Libraries implementation of Summon 2.0. Lee’s path to a career in librarianship took an indirect route. In 1990, he received a BSEE from Michigan Tech University and worked for 19 years in the engineering sales field. His interests and personality led Lee to pursue a career in librarianship which started with earning a Masters of Library and Information Science from Wayne State University in 2012. Along with his current responsibilities in Acquisitions, Lee continues to manage the maintenance and improvement of SearchPlus.